

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

United States of America,

Case No. 22-cr-212 (JRT/TNL)

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER

Sarah Louise Palm (1),

Defendant.

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Sarah Louise Palm’s Motion for Continuance of Motion Filing Date and Motion Hearing. ECF No. 17. Defendant also filed a Statement of Facts in Support of Exclusion of Time Under the Speedy Trial Act (“Statement of Facts”). ECF No. 18.

Defendant requests a 30-day extension of the motions filing date (March 22, 2023) and motions hearing date (April 17, 2023). ECF No. 17. Defendant contends that she and her counsel “need additional time to review discovery, analyze her matter, and discuss options for resolving her case.” *Id.* The Government has no objection to Defendant’s request. *Id.* In her Statement of Facts, Defendant requests that this period of time be excluded from computation under the Speedy Trial Act. ECF No. 18; *see also* ECF No. 17.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h), this Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and Defendant in a speedy

trial and such continuance is necessary to provide Defendant and her counsel reasonable time necessary for effective preparation and to make efficient use of the parties' resources.

Based on all the files, records, and proceedings herein, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Defendant's Motion for Continuance of Motion Filing Date and Motion Hearing, ECF No. 17, is **GRANTED**.

2. The period of time from **March 17 through April 21, 2023**, shall be excluded from Speedy Trial Act computations in this case.

3. All motions in the above-entitled case shall be filed and served consistent with Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 12(b) and 47 on or before **April 21, 2023**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(1). Two courtesy copies of all motions and responses shall be delivered directly to the chambers of Magistrate Judge Tony N. Leung.

4. Counsel shall electronically file a letter on or before **April 21, 2023**, if no motions will be filed and there is no need for a hearing.

5. All responses to motions shall be filed by **May 5, 2023**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(2).

6. Any Notice of Intent to Call Witnesses shall be filed by **May 5, 2023**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(3)(A).

7. Any Responsive Notice of Intent to Call Witnesses shall be filed by **May 10, 2023**. D. Minn. LR 12.1(c)(3)(B).

8. A motions hearing will be held pursuant to Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 12(c) where:

- a. The Government makes timely disclosures and a defendant pleads particularized matters for which an evidentiary hearing is necessary; or
- b. Oral argument is requested by either party in its motion, objection or response pleadings.

9. If required and subject to further order of the Court, the motions hearing shall be heard before Magistrate Judge Tony N. Leung on **May 18, 2023**, at **2:00 p.m.**, in **Courtroom 9W**, Diana E. Murphy U.S. Courthouse, 300 South Fourth Street, **MINNEAPOLIS**, Minnesota 55415. D. Minn. LR 12.1(d).

10. **TRIAL:**

a. **IF NO PRETRIAL MOTIONS ARE FILED BY DEFENDANT:**
the following trial and trial-related dates are:

All voir dire questions and jury instructions must be submitted to District Judge John R. Tunheim on or before **July 10, 2023**.

This case must commence trial on **July 17, 2023**, at **9:00 a.m.** before District Judge John R. Tunheim in **Courtroom 14E**, Diana E. Murphy U.S. Courthouse, 300 South Fourth Street, **MINNEAPOLIS**, Minnesota 55415.

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b. **IF PRETRIAL MOTIONS ARE FILED**, the trial date, and other related dates, will be rescheduled following the ruling on pretrial motions. Counsel must contact the Courtroom Deputy for District Judge Tunheim to confirm the new trial date.

Dated: March 20, 2023

s/ Tony N. Leung
Tony N. Leung
United States Magistrate Judge
District of Minnesota

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